

AFGHAN ECONOMY PROMOTION

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform: Subcommittee on National Security and Foreign Affairs held a hearing entitled “U.S. Promotion of the Afghan Economy: Impediments and Opportunities.” Testimony was heard from Jeremy Pam, Visiting Research Scholar, Sustainable Development, U.S. Institute of Peace; and public witnesses.

THE “ENERGY AND WATER APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2010”

Committee on Rules: Granted, by a record vote of 7 to 4, a structured rule providing for consideration of H.R. 3183, the Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010. The rule provides one hour of general debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Appropriations. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill except those arising under clauses 9 or 10 of rule XXI. The rule provides that the bill shall be considered as read through page 63, line 12. The rule waives points of order against provisions in the bill for failure to comply with clause 2 of rule XXI. The rule makes in order (1) the amendments printed in part A of the report of the Committee on Rules; (2) not to exceed one of the amendments printed in part B of the report if offered by Representative Campbell of California or his designee; (3) not to exceed six of the amendments printed in part C of the report if offered by Representative Flake of Arizona or his designee; and (4) not to exceed three of the amendments printed in part D of the report if offered by Representative Hensarling of Texas or his designee. The rule provides that each such amendment may be offered only in the order printed in the report, may be offered only by a Member designated in the report, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for 10 minutes equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, and shall not be subject to a demand for division of the question in the House or in the Committee of the Whole. All points of order against such amendments are waived except those arising under clause 9 or 10 of rule XXI. The rule provides that for those amendments reported from the Committee of the Whole, the question of their adoption shall be put to the House en gros and without demand for division of the question. The rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. The rule provides that after disposition of the amendments specified in the first section of the rule, the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Appropriations or their designees each may offer one pro forma amendment to the bill for the purpose of debate, which shall be controlled by

the proponent. The rule provides that the Chair may entertain a motion that the Committee rise only if offered by the Chair of the Committee on Appropriations or his designee and that the Chair may not entertain a motion to strike out the enacting words of the bill (as described in clause 9 of rule XVIII). The rule provides that during consideration of the bill, the Chair may reduce to two minutes the minimum time for electronic voting. Finally, the rule lays House Resolution 618 on the table. Testimony was heard from Representatives Pastor; Cardoza; Arcuri; Costa; Davis of Tennessee; Frelinghuysen; Wamp; Gingrey; Nunes; Kingston of Georgia and Deal of Georgia.

THE “FINANCIAL SERVICES AND GENERAL GOVERNMENT APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2010”

Committee on Rules: Granted, by a record vote of 7 to 4, a structured rule providing for consideration of H.R. 3170, the Financial Service and General Government Appropriations Act, 2010. The rule provides one hour of general debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the committee on Appropriations. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill except those arising under clauses 9 or 10 of rule XXI. The rule provides that the bill shall be considered as read through page 145, line 11. The rule waives points of order against provisions in the bill for failure to comply with clause 2 of rule XXI. The rule makes in order the amendments printed in the report of the Committee on Rules. The rule provides that each such amendment may be offered only in the order printed in the report, may be offered only by a Member designated in the report, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for 10 minutes equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, and shall not be subject to a demand for division of the question in the House or in the Committee on the Whole. All points of order against such amendments are waived except those arising under clause 9 or 10 or rule XXI. The rule provides that for those amendments reported from the Committee of the Whole, the question of their adoption shall be put to the House en gros and without demand for division of the question. The rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. The rule provides that after disposition of the amendments specified in the first section of the rule, the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Appropriations or their designees each may offer one pro forma amendment to the bill for the purpose of debate, which shall be controlled by the proponent. The rule provides that